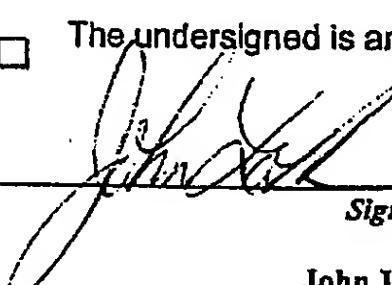


Terminal Disclaimer To Obviate A Double Patenting Rejection Over A Prior Patent				Docket No.	
In Re Application Of: Grant W. Heinicke					
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Application No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Customer No.	Group Art Unit	Confirmation No.
09/606,629	06/29/2000	E.J. Webman		1617	7996
Invention: Controlled Absorption Diltiazem Pharmaceutical Formulation					
Owner of Record: Purepac Pharmaceutical Company					
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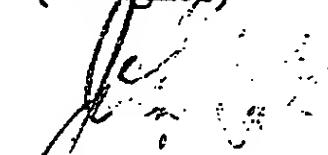
Petitioner, Purepac Pharmaceutical Company is the owner of one hundred percent interest in the instant application; and Petitioner certifies that it is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the instant patent application by virtue of an assignment from the inventor of the patent application identified above. The assignment was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel _____, Frame _____ on _____. Petitioner hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the instant application which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 to 156 and 173 of U.S. Patent 6,214,385. Petitioner hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the instant application shall be enforceable only for

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